Background

On May 15, 1989, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (54 FR 20909) the antidumping duty orders on ball bearings and parts thereof from France, Germany, Japan, and the United Kingdom and on spherical plain bearings and parts thereof from France. On June 25, 2002, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(b), we published a notice of initiation of administrative reviews of these orders (67 FR 42753).

Subsequent to the initiation of these reviews, we received timely withdrawals of the requests we had received for the following reviews: INA-Schaeffler KG (INA) and Sachs Handel GmbH and ZF Sachs (collectively Sachs) with respect to ball bearings from Germany; SKF France S.A. (SKF France) with respect to spherical plain bearings from France: Barden Corporation (U.K.) Ltd. (Barden) with respect to ball bearings from the United Kingdom; Asahi Seiko Co., Ltd. (Asahi), and Nachi-Fujikoshi Corporation (Nachi) with respect to ball bearings from Japan. Because there were no other requests for review of the above-named firms, we are rescinding the reviews with respect to these companies in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d). Because there are no other requests for reviews of the orders on ball bearings from the United Kingdom and on spherical plain bearings from France, we are rescinding the reviews of these orders in full.

Rescission of Reviews

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d), the Department will rescind an administrative review "if a party that requested the review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of notice of initiation of the requested review." The Department is also authorized to extend this deadline if it decides that it is reasonable to do so. INA, Sachs, SKF France, Barden, and Asahi withdrew their requests for their respective reviews within the 90-day time limit. The Torrington Company (Torrington) withdrew its request for the review of Nachi after the 90-day period had expired. Because there were no other requests to review Nachi and no other interested party objected, the Department has decided to accept Torrington's withdrawal request.

Because the Department received no other requests for the reviews of INA, Sachs, Asahi, and Nachi, it is rescinding the reviews in part with respect to shipments of ball bearings from Germany and Japan by these firms. Also, because the Department received no other requests to review spherical plain bearings from France other than those

sold by SKF and no other requests to review ball bearings from the United Kingdom other than those sold by Barden, the Department is rescinding the reviews of these orders completely. The above partial and complete rescissions are pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1). The Department will issue appropriate assessment instructions to the U.S. Customs Service within 15 days of publication of this notice.

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

We are issuing and publishing these rescissions in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: October 16, 2002.

Louis Apple,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [C-507-501; C-507-601]

Certain In-Shell Pistachios (C-507-501) and Certain Roasted In-Shell Pistachios (C-507-601) From the Islamic Republic of Iran: Extension of Time Limit for Final Results of Countervailing Duty New Shipper Reviews

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Extension of time limit for final results of countervailing duty new shipper reviews.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 23, 2002.

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Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department of Commerce (the Department) to issue preliminary results within 180 days after the date on which the review was initiated and final results within 90 days after the date on which the preliminary results are issued. However, if the Secretary determines the case is extraordinarily complicated, section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary results of new shipper reviews to a maximum of 300 days and for the final results to 150 days from the date of issuance of the preliminary results.

Background

On November 7, 2001, we published in the Federal Register the initiation of a new shipper review of the countervailing duty order on in-shell pistachios from the Islamic Republic of Iran (Iran), covering the period October 1, 2000, through September 30, 2001. See 66 FR 56277. On November 27, 2001, we published in the Federal Register the initiation of a new shipper on roasted in-shell pistachios from Iran covering the same period. See 66 FR 59235. On September 4, 2002, (67 FR 56534), we published the preliminary results for the in-shell and roasted inshell new shipper reviews.

Extension of Final Results of Review

Upon further review of the information submitted on the record of these new shipper reviews, we have concluded that it is necessary to conduct a verification of the questionnaire responses. Given our decision to conduct verification, we have determined these cases are extraordinarily complicated. Therefore, the Department is extending the time limits for completion of the final results until no later than January 24, 2002. See the Decision Memorandum from Melissa G. Skinner, Director, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement VI, to Bernard T. Carreau, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration, dated concurrent with this notice, which is on file in the Central Records Unit.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act.

Dated: October 16, 2002.

Bernard T. Carreau,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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